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AMENDMENT After Ex parte Quayle Action

Dear Sir:

In response to the Ex parte Quayle action of 10/29/2003, please amend the above-identified application and reconsider the patentability of the invention in light of the arguments and amendments presented herein. Applicants submit the following in complete response thereto.